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FOIA REQUEST
Fee waiver requested

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request a copy of an unredacted version the study submitted by the company Dow AgroSciences to the Environmental Protection Agency titled "Dow AgroSciences Response to EPA Query Regarding Two Toxicology Reports." A redacted version of this study can be found at Regulations.gov under the docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0850-0239.

At the Regulations.gov docket, pages three through 20 of this study have been redacted. A note accompanying this redaction states the following:

Pgs. 3-20 Codes as "B" – document may be requested under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), but access is restricted to entities not engaged in the production, sale or distribution of pesticides outside the United States.

I am a member of the news media. I am not "engaged in the production, sale or distribution of pesticides outside the United States." Therefore, as this note states, I am entitled to an unredacted copy of this study.

I would like to receive the study in an electronic format, preferably as a Portable Document Format (PDF) file. However, a hard copy of the study is acceptable if conversion to an electronic format would be too time consuming or too labor intensive.

As previously mentioned, I am a news journalist. This information is being sought for news gathering purposes on behalf of Bloomberg BNA for dissemination to the general public. Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and activities.

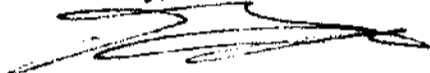
If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

I would prefer you communicate with me by email at dschultz@bna.com or telephone at (703) 341-3696, rather than by mail.

I look forward to your determination regarding my request for expedited processing within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



David Schultz

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From: Schultz, David <dSchultz@bna.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 11:35 AM
To: FOIA HQ
Subject: FOIA request
Attachments: S-26-15 -- Dow study.pdf

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached to this email is a FOIA request I am filing with the EPA. I have also mailed a hard copy of this request to your office.

Please let me know if you are unable to open the PDF file attached to this email or if you have any further questions or need any clarification on my request.

Sincerely,

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